Schemes launched under National Water Development Projects in Gujarat

4256. SHRIMATI ANANDIBEN JETHABHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) what are the schemes which have been launched in the State of Gujarat under the National Water Development Projects;

(b) the amount allocated by Government for each of the schemes;

(c) whether the World Bank is also rendering any financial assistance for these projects;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the progress made in the implementation of each of these project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) to (e) Sabarmati (Dharoi-LBC) & Meshwo schemes were launched in the State of Gujarat under World Bank assisted National Water Management Project (NWMP). Ninety percent of the expenditure incurred on the project was reimbursed by the World Bank in accordance with the Credit Agreement. NWMP has since closed on 31.03.95. The details are appended.

Statement

Details of the Schemes Under National Water Management Project (NWMP)

STATE : *Gujarat.* (Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of Scheme	Date of approval by G.O.I.	Culturable Command Area (CCA) (hectares)	Estimated Cost	Expenditure incurred upto March, 1995
1.	Sabarmati (Dharoi- IBC)	January, '93	12980	505.30	44.0
2.	MESHWC	January, '93	6880	305.40	17.6
		TOTAL :	19860	810.70	61.6

Medium and major irrigation projects in Orissa

4257. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the on-going medium and major irrigation projects in Orissa;

(b) whether some of those projects are likely to be completed by the end of the 8th Plan;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the progress of each of those project at present?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) to (d) A Statement giving details of on-going major and medium irrigation projects of Orissa is attached as in annexure. (*See* Appendix 173. Annexure No. 85)

Pottery irrigation project in Orissa

4258. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the main objectives for which Pottery irrigation project is being implemented in Orissa;

(b) the progress made in the completion of that project;

(c) the steps taken to expedite the execution of that project; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU):

(a) Potteru Irrigation Project has been taken up for execution as a part of Potteru Irrigation-cum-Resettlement Scheme for resettlement of 11,000 families of displaced persons from former East Pakistan and tribals.

(b) Barrage and Head Regulators have been completed. The work of main canals has been completed to the extent of 98% and the work on distribution system is in progress. An expenditure of Rs. 91.28 crores has been incurred till 1/95 against latest approved estimated cost of 102.39 crores.

(c) and (d) The Central Water Commission has been entrusted with the monitoring of the project and an amount of Rs. 80.56 crores has been reimbursed to the State Government against the share of Central Government of Rs. 94.83 crores. The project is scheduled for completion by June. 1996.

Sharing of Ganga water between India and Bangladesh

4259. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the sharing of Ganga water by India and Bangladesh has not been finalised so far;

(b) whether bilateral talks are proposed to be held between both the countries to settle the dispute;

(c) if so, the tentative date fixed for the purpose and the venue decided therefor; and

(d) the details of the steps taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) Bilateral talks are proposed to be held in the next meeting of the Joint Committee of Experts in Delhi, the date and time of which would depend on the response from Bangladesh, which is awaited.

Guidelines for water allocation of Inter-State River

4260. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have prepared draft national policy guidelines for water allocation of inter-State rivers among the States; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Main features of the guidelines are: The river basins will be reckoned as a unit for inter-State water allocation.

All co-basin States and the Centre would be parties to the process of allocation.

Allocation of consider the reasonable possibility of utilisation.

Allocation to be based on the principle of equitable apportionment.

States will be free to utilise their share in any way without conflicting with the overriding national interest.

Inter-State agreements between all the co-basin States are normally to be accommodated.